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Claim 35 (new): The receptacle of claim 33 where said auxiliary measurement depression has a plurality of said measurement depressions.

Claim 36 (new): The receptacle of claim 35 where said plurality of said measurement depressions communicate directly with one another.

Remarks, General:

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By the above amendment C, applicant has reorganized and reworded the claims to combine old claims 15, 20 and 21 to become a new independent claim. In doing so, I have made an attempt to comply with the Examiner's (Andre Jackson) final office action from August 1 2005, paragraph 3, page 4 and also subsequent conversations. In offering constructive assistance, the examiner had concluded that prior art (Schneider) had anticipated that a dilutent and a concentrate were to be mixed together in order to form a solution of a certain proportion. Further, the Examiner felt that the supplemental measurement depressions of old claim 19 that communicated with one another was also anticipated by prior art (again, Schneider, specifically depressions 17 and 11, although they lie in two different planes). The Examiner suggested that combining old claims 15, 20 and 21 into a new independent claim 29 would be allowable as a new base claim.

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Conditional Request for Constructive Assistance:

Applicant has amended the claims of this application so that they are proper and define a single species which is novel. If, for any reason this application is not believed to be in full condition for allowance, applicant respectfully requests the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner pursuant to M.P.E.P. sections 2173.02 and 707.07(j) in order that the undersigned can place this application in allowable condition as soon as possible without the need for further proceedings.

10 Very Respectfully,

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